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In the aftermath of Superstorm Sandy, the Department of Children and Families (DCF) is here to help through the long recovery ahead; filling service gaps as other early response and recovery funding is beginning to be exhausted. With a goal of keeping families strong, preventing the potential negative impacts of the disaster on children and families, and providing swift support and intervention, DCF is expanding or creating additional services for the individuals we serve.

Domestic Violence Shelter Capacity

It is expected that the length of stay at domestic violence shelters will increase for families that are co-trauma victims of domestic violence and Superstorm Sandy, due to a lack of available housing and the compounded trauma inflicted by the storm. In addition, co-trauma victims have impacted service delivery throughout the State New Jersey.

As a result, the New Jersey Department of Children and Families (DCF) has allocated additional funds to expand emergency domestic violence shelter capacity to ensure access to co-trauma victims. This funding will take care of the immediate need for safe shelter in cases of increased need for bed space on an emergency basis if the domestic violence victims were also impacted Superstorm Sandy.

When safe sheltering is needed and there is insufficient space at a domestic violence shelter, funding is provided to the domestic violence agency for a hotel or motel until shelter space is available. The funding will be available for agencies to mitigate the impact of the emergency sheltering process for co-trauma victims of domestic violence and Superstorm Sandy. It will increase bed capacity and allow more co-trauma victims to access safe shelter throughout the state.

For more information about domestic violence shelter services, please see page 2. For individuals needing immediate assistance and access to domestic violence services please call the New Jersey Domestic Violence Hotline at 1-800-572-SAFE (7233).



As we know from previous natural disasters, a family's ability to cope is often stretched to its limit as they try to recover. The Department of Children and Families is making every effort to ensure that Sandy-impacted families have access to adequate social services. For more information or to gain expedient access:

1-855-INFO-DCF (1-855-463-6323) (general information about DCF's programs and services)

DCF's Children's System of Care at 1-877-652-7624

(services for children and teens with emotional and behavioral health care challenges)

New Jersey Domestic Violence Hotline 1-800-572-SAFE (7233)

(individuals needing immediate assistance and access to domestic violence services)

New Jersey Coalition Against Sexual Assault (NJCASA) Hotline 1-800-601-7200

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Domestic Violence Shelter Capacity Expansion

County	Provider	Phone	Email
Atlantic	Atlantic County Women's Center	(609) 646-6767 (800) 286-4184	acwc@bellatlantic.net
Bergen	Shelter Our Sisters	(201) 944-9600	sos@shelteroursisters.org
Burlington	Providence House of Catholic Charities	(609) 871-7551	
Camden	Camden County Women's Center	(856) 227-1234	
Cape May	CARA, Inc. (Coalition against Rape & Abuse, Inc.)	(609) 522-6489 (877) 294-2272	Carasafe1@verizon.net
Cumberland	SERV- Center for Family Services	(856) 696-2032	serv@centerffs.org
Essex	The Safe House	(973) 759-2154	
Gloucester	SERV- Center for Family Services	(856) 881-3335	serv@centerffs.org
Hudson	Women Rising, Inc.	(201) 333-0547	womenrising@aol.com
Hunterdon	SAFE in Hunterdon	(908) 788-4044 (888) 988-4033	agencyinfo@safeinhunterdon.org
Mercer	Womanspace, Inc.	(609) 394-9000	
Middlesex	Women Aware, Inc.	(732) 249-4504	
Monmouth	180 Turning Lives Around, Inc.	(732) 264-4111 (888) 843-9262	info@180nj.org
Morris	Jersey Battered Women Services	(973) 267-4763	info@jbws.org
Ocean	Providence House of Catholic Charities	(732) 244-8259 (800) 246-8910	
Passaic	Passaic County Women's Center	(973) 881-1450	
Salem	Salem County Women's Services	(856) 935-6655 (888) 632-9511	
Somerset	Resource Center of Somerset	(866) 685-1122	info@resourcecenterofsomerset.org
Sussex	Domestic Abuse & Sexual Assault Intervention Services	(973) 875-1211	info@dasi.org
Union	Project Protect	(908) 355-4357	info@ywcaeuc.org
Warren	Domestic Abuse & Sexual Assault Crisis Center	(908) 453-4181 (866) 623-7233	
Statewide	Statewide Domestic Violence Hotline	(800) 572-7233	